



Art & Design

BTEC Level 3 Foundation Diploma

This course is equivalent to 1.5 A Levels and offers an exciting balance of introductory work across a range of art and design disciplines. This course is ideal if you enjoy art and design and prefer a more practical route of study. It will prepare you for higher education or a specialist art career, and includes visits to influential art galleries.

Core units

Unit 1: Visual Recording

Unit 2: Materials, Techniques and Processes

Unit 3: Ideas and Concepts

Unit 4: Communication through Art and Design

Unit 5: Contextual Influences in Art and Design

Additional units

Students must complete an additional 5 units from a range, to include:

- Exploring Ceramic Techniques (3D)
- Printmaking Techniques (2D)
- Application, Exploration and Realisation
- Mixed Media image making
- Surface Pattern
- Papermaking
- Professional Development and Portfolio Building

How will I learn?

Through research, group work and independent study.

This is a hands-on, active course, and learning will be based on a series of project briefs and through exploring different materials and media.

Where can I go after the course?

Careers: Graphics; Fine Art; Illustration; Fashion; Costume Design; Ceramics.

Further Education: Extended Diploma in Art and Design; Art Foundation

Degree Courses; Higher Level Art Degree courses if the portfolio work is strong enough.

Entry Requirements

Standard 6th Form entry requirements.

It is preferred that students have a minimum of a GCSE grade 5 or BTEC Merit at Level 2 in this or a related subject.

You must have a portfolio of evidence to document your creativity.

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Assessment

Work is assessed through a combination of externally set assessments and portfolio briefs.

Students will also produce a Final Project for the compulsory specialist units which will be externally assessed.